



Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the invention entitled, which is described and claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which (check one)



is attached hereto,



was filed on 4/26/2001 and accorded serial number 09/843,603 and was amended on _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC §119 or §365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365 of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s):			
Number	Country	Day/Month/Year	Priority Claimed

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed above:

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Prior U.S. Applications:		
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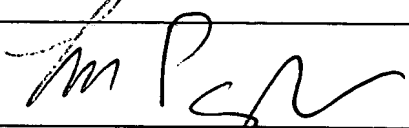
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